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The Honorable Janice K. Brewer Governor of Arizona 1700 West Washington Street Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Dear Governor Brewer:

This is in response to your August 19, 2009, letter amending former Governor Napolitano's October 6, 2008, request for a major disaster declaration for the Sovereign Tribal Nation of the Havasupai Triba as a result of thunderstorms during the period of August 15-17, 2008. You specifically requested Public Assistance (all categories) and Hazard Mitigation for the Havasupai Tribal areas located in Coconino County.

FEMA Regulation 44 C.F.R. 206.36(a) states in part that a request must be submitted within 30 days of the occurrence of the incident. In addition, 44 C.F.R. 206.36(a), states that the 30-day period may be extended if a written request for an extension is submitted by the Governor during this 30-day period.

Based on our review of all of the information available, it has been determined that your request does not meet the procedural requirements for submitting a request under 44 C.F.R. 206.36. Accordingly, we have determined that supplemental Federal assistance is not necessary or appropriate. Therefore, I must inform you that your request for a major disaster declaration is denied.

This denial may be appealed within 30 days after the date of this letter. The appeal, along with additional information justifying the appeal, should be submitted to the President through Nancy Ward, Regional Administrator, FEMA Region IX, located at:

1111 Broadway, Suite 1200 Oakland, California 94607-4052

I regret that we could not respond favorably to your request.

Sincerely,

W. Craig Fugate Administrator